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### REMARKS

With this response, Claims 1-10, 13-16, 18-25, 27-31, 34-42, 44-46, 48-51, 53-58, and 60-63, and 65 remain pending. In the March 22, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner allowed Claims 1-10, 16, 18-25, 27-31, 37-42, 44-46, 48-51, 53-58, 60-63, and 65. The Examiner rejected Claims 13, 34, and 64 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. The Examiner objected to Claims 14, 15, 35, and 36. The Examiner objected to the specification for informalities.

#### Discussion of the Objection to the Specification

In the Office Action, the Examiner object to the specification, stating that, with respect to page 1 of the specification, the blanks should be updated with the corresponding application numbers. Applicants respectfully note that in the November 11, 2004 Preliminary Amendment, Applicants amended the Related Applications paragraph to include the corresponding application numbers. Therefore, the Examiner's objection is moot, and Applicants respectfully request that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

#### Discussion of the Claim Rejections and Objections

The Examiner rejected Claims 13, 34, and 64 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 13 and 34 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's rejection. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the rejection of Claims 13 and 34 be withdrawn. Applicants further request that the objections to Claims 14 and 15, and Claims 35 and 36, which corresponding depend from Claim 13 and Claim 34, be withdrawn. Claim 64 has been cancelled.

Applicants have made several minor claim amendments to maintain language consistency.

#### Conclusion

Claims 1-10, 16, 18-25, 27-31, 37-42, 44-46, 48-51, 53-58, 60-63, and 65 are allowed. In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 13-15 and 34-36 are also in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request that Claims 13-15 and 34-36 be allowed.

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**Request for Telephone Interview**

If there are any issues that can be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney of record at (310) 407-3461 or at the number set forth below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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